

## 2.2 Central Purpose



# What is the Central Purpose

- The central purpose is the focus of an informational text.
- It's what the author wants you to learn

# Questions to ask yourself about Central Purpose

- What is the main focus of this passage
- What did the author try to accomplish by writing this selection
- Choose the statement that is most important

# Tips for Success

- Ask yourself what the author most wants you to learn
- Remember that a selection may contain many true statements that are not the central purpose
- The central purpose is likely to be a general statement concerning the entire selection